

### Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334 Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Date: 5/25/2023	VisitType: Monitoring Visit	Arrival:	11:35 AM	Departure:	12:30 PM	
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#### Quality Rated: No

			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good				
05/25/2023	Monitoring Visit		standing, support, and deficient.				
12/14/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			
06/08/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>			
			Deficient	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	4	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	2	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	3	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	6	0	4	0
Total Under 18 Years	7		-	-	
Children Present: 7 Total Children: 10					
Caregivers/Helpers Present: 4	Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1				

#### **Comments**

An in person Monitoring Visit was conducted on this day. The provider stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).

	<ul> <li>Please refer to the website, <u>http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</u>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,</li> <li>New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry</li> <li>New clearance is required at least once every five years</li> <li>Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance</li> <li>All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check</li> <li>Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance</li> <li>Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee</li> </ul>
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O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at http://gbi.georgia.gov to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

#### **Refutation Process:**

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute

3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation

4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)





### Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk a1 855-800-7747 or <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

Mellissa Boatright, Program Official

Date

Connie Boatright, Consultant

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1776		(Findings Report)			
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The following inform	nation is associated with a Moni	toring Visit:	A otivitio	o and Cau	
			Activitie	s and Equ	Ipment
290-2-312 Equipme	ent and Supplies(CR)				Met
	it and toys were observed.				
<b>Comment</b> Toys and equipment (	observed to be clean and safe fror	n hazardous con	ditions.		
	eeping Safety Requirements(CR				Met
Comment Discussed SIDS and	infant sleeping position.				
Comment Pleasant naptime env	rironment observed.				
	ng Pools & Water-related Activit	ies(CR)			Met
<b>Comment</b> Home does not provid	de swimming activities.				
Comment					
There is no pool on th	ne property				
					Facility
	Diant Coto Environment/OD)				
290-2-311 Physical	Plant - Safe Environment(CR)				Met

## Comment

An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

## Comment

Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

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# 290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)

## Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

## 290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

## Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

## Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

## Comment

There is no pool on the property

# 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)

## Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures.

## 290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

## Comment

The provider stated appropriate diapering procedures.

## 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)

### Comment

Per the provider no medication is currently dispensed

## 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

## Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

# Safety and Discipline

**Health and Hygiene** 

## 290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

### Comment

The provider and/or the home's employee were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

## 290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)

## Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Met

Staff Records

## Met

### Met

Met

Met

# Met

Licensure

Met

#### Met

# 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

#### Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Provider stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

## 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

### Comment

Discussed staff qualifications and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

# Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

### 290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)

### Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

## 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.



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Met

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